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us, and we are grateful to the staff in there. It might be the one opportunity that we do get this session to cast a vote for a bill with around \$2.5 million of revenue on it. So, there are some expenses against that, of course, but I would appreciate your support of the A bill to follow the regular bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Combs. You've heard the opening on the Combs amendment to LB 454A. Open for discussion. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President and members. And, Senator Combs, (laugh) I'm not going to be quite as accommodating as Senator Chambers this morning, because I'm not going to do what you want me to do on this bill. And I'm going to explain why. I generally always vote for the A bill after the bills pass, but I have such a strong inclination against this bill that I'm not going to do that, because I'm looking at the fiscal note, and we're going to spend well over \$1 million to implement this bill, and I'd rather spend it on some other kinds of programs that I feel that would benefit people a lot more than this particular bill. And so I'm going to deviate from what I usually do. I wanted to explain it on the record. I just can't bring myself to do it. And so with that, Senator Combs, my explanation.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Further discussion? Senator Combs.

SENATOR COMBS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I do respect those who have very strong opinions about this issue that is...the issue has been around for ten years, and people are rather polarized on one side or the other, and they have personal beliefs, and that's quite all right. I don't hold that against anyone. I would like to mention that the revenue is generated by fees being charged for the permits. They are not General Funds that would be available for use in other programs. So I did want to put that on the record also, that these are coming from the fees that the permitholders would be paying. That's where the revenue is being generated from. Thank you.